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SUBJECT: Applicant: Negus et al.
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Filed: January 29, 2000
For: PERCUTANEOUS MYOCARDIAL
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THERAPEUTIC OR DIAGNOSTIC AGENT
DELIVERY SYSTEM
Group: 3739
Docket No: LE-199J

Dear Sir:

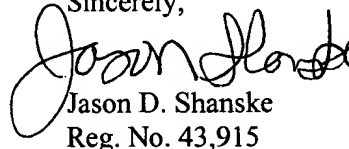
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Sincerely,


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An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is missing.
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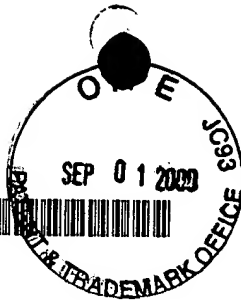
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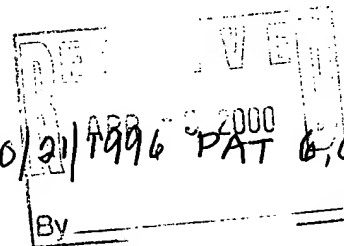
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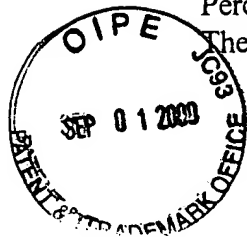
Title

Percutaneous myocardial revascularization marking and therapeutic or diagnostic agent delivery system

Preliminary Class

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Applicant: Negus et al.
For: Percutaneous Myocardial Revascularization Marking and
Therapeutic or Diagnostic Agent Delivery System



RELATED APPLICATION

This application is a continuation-in-part application of U.S. Serial No. 08/731,862 filed October 21, 1996, entitled "Percutaneous Transmyocardial Revascularization Marking System", by Linhares et al.

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FIELD OF THE INVENTION

This invention relates to a percutaneous channel marking and drug delivery system and method.

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BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

Myocardial revascularization is presently accomplished using a laser to create channels in the wall of the left ventricle of the heart to perfuse the ischemic myocardium, thereby supplying blood and oxygen directly to the heart muscle, instead of installing one or more bypasses or using angioplasty to overcome blocked arteries and reinstate adequate blood flow. In the transmyocardial approach, a CO₂ laser is used to create channels from the outside of the heart wall to the inside. The channels heal rapidly on the outside, from digital pressure applied to the outside surfaces, leaving blind channels extending from the inside part way through the heart wall. During surgery, the surgeon can see each channel and carefully choose subsequent channel sites with correct spacing between them and avoid



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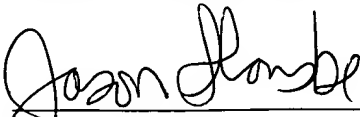

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REQUEST FOR A CORRECTED FILING RECEIPT

In the United States Patent Application No. 09/493,423 of Negus et al., please note that the filing receipt issued (copy enclosed) has omitted the continuing data as claimed by the applicant.

The subject application is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Serial No. 08/731,862 filed on October 21, 1996 and is indicated as such on page 2 of the specification (copy enclosed). Please make the above-specified correction and issue a corrected filing receipt. Thank you for your cooperation.

Respectfully submitted,


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